TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 637 – SB 1109

February 14, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL: Establishes that an employer who requires an immunization as a condition of employment or continued employment must grant an exemption from the requirement to an employee who files a written statement of religious objection. Prohibits an employer from taking an adverse action against a person who files a statement of religious objection.

Allows healthcare providers to implement and provide reasonable accommodation measures to a person who files a statement of religious objection in order to protect the safety and health of other persons from communicable diseases. Creates a private right of action against an alleged violator for a person injured as a result of a violation of the proposed legislation.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Any impact resulting from this legislation is assumed to be borne by private parties to civil actions.
- The proposed legislation will not significantly impact any programs or policies of state or local governments or result in a significant increase in caseloads; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

• The proposed legislation will not result in any significant impact to jobs or commerce in Tennessee.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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